

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Gittings, Beam, and Darby.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

Ordered, That the bills of the sheriff of Baltimore county, referred at the last session to the committee of ways and means, be withdrawn from the files of the house, and referred to the committee on claims,

Mr. Worthington obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, an act to authorise Mary Magruder, of Prince George's county, to bring into this State, a certain slave therein mentioned,

Ordered, That Messrs. Worthington, Bryan, and Pratt, report the same.

On motion of Mr. Fiery,

Ordered, That the committee on grievances and courts of justice, be directed to inquire into the expediency of extending the powers of the Orphan's courts in the several counties of this State, so as to give them jurisdiction in all cases between masters or mistresses and apprentices,

Mr. Hood reported a bill, entitled, an act to authorise the building a bridge over the western branch of the Patapsco falls at Sykesville,

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ridgely, the house took up for consideration the favorable report submitted by Mr. Mercer, on the 22d. of January, from the committee on education, relative to the Patapsco Female Institute,

On motion of Mr. Ridgely, a call of the house was ordered,

On motion of Mr. Brown, the house suspended any further proceedings on the call of the house, and proceeded to the consideration of said report,

Mr. Ridgely, then offered as a substitute for said report, the following,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the treasurer of the western shore pay, to the trustees of the Patapsco Female Institute, the sum of eight hundred dollars annually, for the purpose of accomplishing the designs of the said institution; so that the same liberality of the State of Maryland, towards the encouragement of education, be extended to Anne Arundel county, which has been enjoyed by every other county in the State, since the passage of the thirty fourth resolution of the General Assembly of Maryland, of December session eighteen hundred and thirty one.